

# WARRIORS

SUPER EDITION

## SQUIRRELFLIGHT'S HOPE



ERIN HUNTER

#1 NEW YORK TIMES BESTSELLING AUTHOR

I CAN'T BELIEVE IT! OUR VERY FIRST TRAINING SESSION! LEAPPAW AND I ARE FINALLY APPRENTICES!

ALL RIGHT- THE FIRST THING YOU NEED TO KNOW...

IS HOW TO HUNT! RIGHT? HOW TO TRACK PREY? SO I CAN ADD TO THE FRESHKILL PILE? TELL ME TELL ME!

BEING A WARRIOR ISN'T ONLY ABOUT HUNTING OR FIGHTING.

IT'S JUST AS IMPORTANT THAT YOU KNOW EVERY INCH OF YOUR TERRITORY-ITS BORDERS, ITS PREY, EVEN ITS TREES.

CALM DOWN, SQUIRRELPAW.

THAT'S WHAT WE'RE GOING TO START LEARNING TODAY.

WOW... THE FOREST SURE IS BIG...

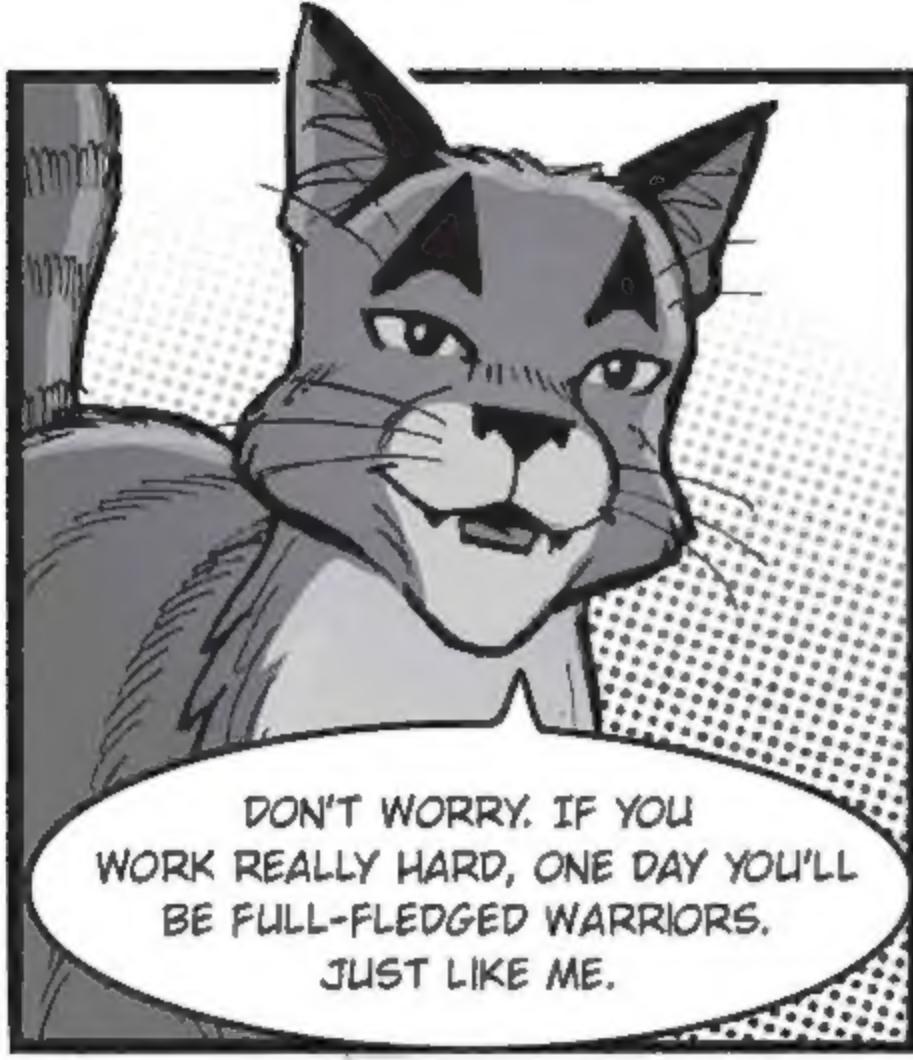
DUSTPELT IS RIGHT, LEAPPAW.

FOR YOU, TOO- YOU'LL NEED TO KNOW WHERE TO FIND THE PROPER HERBS.

A GOOD MEDICINE CAT ALWAYS KNOWS JUST WHERE TO LOOK. SO YOU'LL REMEMBER WHEN I SHOW YOU, YES?

I'LL DO MY BEST, CINDERPELT!





LEAPPAW! LISTEN!  
OVER THERE—I THINK  
THAT'S A RABBIT!

IT MIGHT BE,  
BUT DUSTPELT SAID TO STAY  
PUT. LEAVE IT ALONE.

SQUIRRELPAW...!

SQUIRRELPAW!  
WHAT ARE YOU DOING?

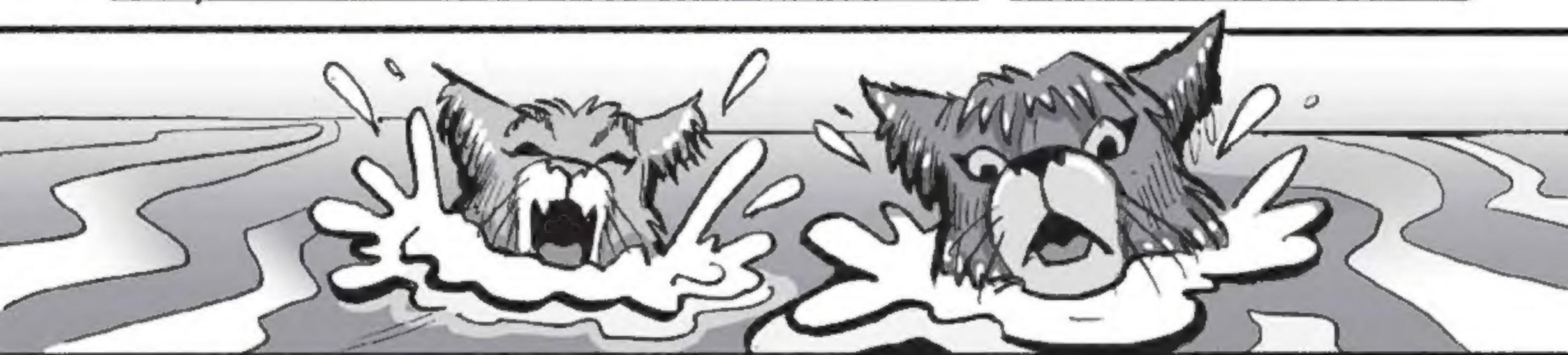
CATCHING A RABBIT,  
THAT'S WHAT!

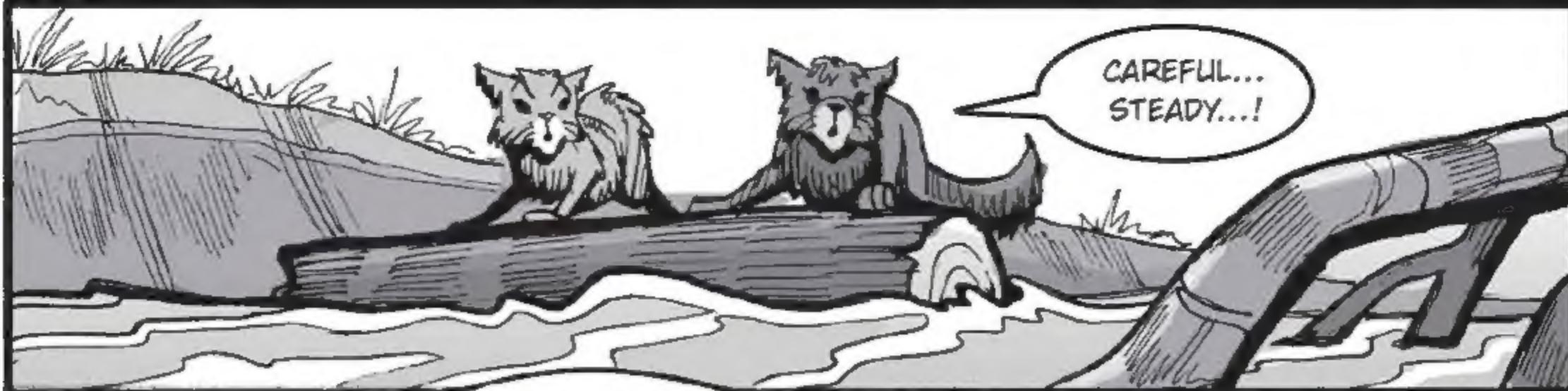
DON'T WORRY!  
I'LL GET HER!

THE TWO OF YOU  
COME RIGHT BACK  
HERE!

SQUIRRELPAW!

SQUIRRELPAW,  
STOP!





I REMEMBER SOMETHING DUSTPELT SAID, BEFORE WE EVEN LEFT CAMP...

SOMETHING ABOUT TASTING THE AIR...

sniff  
sniff

HANG ON-LET ME TAKE A LOOK-

YES! SEE THAT? THAT TWOLEGPLACE? I THINK WE'RE CLOSE TO SUNNINGROCKS!

OH! THEN, IF WE FOLLOW THE RIVER...

RIGHT! WE CAN FIND OUR WAY BACK!

YEAH.  
BUT WE SHOULD GET UNDER COVER OF THE TREES.

GOOD IDEA.

HAWKS ARE SCARY.

IT'S JUST... THIS WAS OUR FIRST DAY AS APPRENTICES, AND I REALLY MADE A MESS OF IT. I'M GOING TO BE IN SO MUCH TROUBLE.

AND THE WHOLE CAMP'S GOING TO LAUGH AT ME. ESPECIALLY BRAMBLECLAW.

SQUIRRELPAW- WHY SO SAD?

HEY, I'M IN JUST AS MUCH TROUBLE AS YOU ARE. AT LEAST WE'LL GO THROUGH IT TOGETHER.



IT DOESN'T TAKE US LONG TO TELL THE WARRIOR WHAT WE'VE BEEN THROUGH. SO EMBARRASSING.

I'M PROUD OF YOU TWO FOR KEEPING YOUR HEADS AND STICKING TOGETHER.



YOU FOLLOWED THE RIVER, STAYED OUT OF SIGHT OF HAWKS, AND DIDN'T EAT ANYTHING YOU WEREN'T SURE OF. SMART.

YOU MAKE A GOOD TEAM.

AND YOU'LL KEEP WORKING AS A TEAM, BACK AT CAMP...

... WHILE YOU'RE PICKING TICKS OFF THE ELDERS' PELTS, AND HELPING CLEAN OUT THE DENS.



THAT SHOULD DISCOURAGE YOU FROM RUNNING OFF LIKE THAT WITHOUT PERMISSION, YES?

HEY... LISTEN. I FEEL LIKE I'M TO BLAME FOR WHAT HAPPENED.

I SHOULDN'T HAVE BEEN TEASING YOU. DUSTPELT'S RIGHT- IT WASN'T THAT LONG AGO THAT I WAS AN APPRENTICE.



I MIGHT'VE GONE AFTER THAT RABBIT, TOO. TRYING TO PROVE MYSELF.

THANKS. THAT MEANS A LOT.

WANT TO HELP US WITH TICK DUTY?

SO SORRY! I'M... NEEDED ON A BORDER PATROL!

OH, WELL. WORTH ASKING.





NO CAT SAYS MUCH ON THE WAY BACK TO CAMP.



BRAMBLECLAW'S APOLOGY  
WAS NICE TO HEAR...

BUT I STILL FEEL PRETTY  
TERRIBLE ABOUT HOW OUR FIRST  
LESSON WENT.



UNTIL...

UNTIL I REALIZE: LEAPPAW AND I  
ARE ABOUT TO TAKE DIFFERENT PATHS.  
I KNOW THIS.

BUT IF GETTING LOST  
AND ALMOST DROWNING BROUGHT  
US CLOSER TOGETHER?  
IT WAS WORTH IT.



WHETHER WE'RE IN THE SAME DEN,  
OR ON OPPOSITE SIDES OF THE  
FOREST, WE'LL ALWAYS BE THERE  
FOR EACH OTHER.

ALWAYS.